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REFERENCES [REDACTED]

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. &amp; TYPE) [REDACTED]

REMARKS [REDACTED]

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1. Troop trains passing through Ruhland on 2 and 5 August 1953 included:

2 August. A train carrying about 25 trucks [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] about 20 medium AA guns, 7 armored scout cars [REDACTED] and several boxcarloads of troops coming from the direction of Hoyerswerda and proceeding toward Elsterwerda at 1:30 p.m.

A train carrying about 35 trucks, about 30 AA guns and about 7 tanks, proceeding toward Elsterwerda, at 11:15 p.m.

5 August. A train carrying about 40 trucks, about 25 x 120-mm to 150-mm guns, 5 light AA guns, 1 ambulance, radio trucks, 1 field kitchen and about 25 boxcarloads of troops at 7 p.m.<sup>1</sup>

2. On 9 August, 16 T-34/85 tanks [REDACTED]

13 JS-3 tanks [REDACTED]

and 7 trucks [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] were detained in Wittenberg and subsequently left for the Beseler Kaserne.<sup>2</sup>

3. On 5 August, 11 boxcars occupied by troops and 3 flatcars carrying trucks [REDACTED] were seen passing through Jueterbog, coming from the direction of Lichterfelde and proceeding toward Wittenberg. On 1 August, a train without locomotive, including 6 boxcars occupied by troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying 6 x 152-mm guns was seen in Jueterbog. On 8 August, 28 x 37-mm AA guns, trucks [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] 300 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets and about 6 boxcarloads of equipment were detained in Jueterbog. The shipment had arrived from the direction of Falkenberg.<sup>3</sup>

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1. Comment. The three shipments presumably came from the Koenigsbrueck troop training grounds. [REDACTED]

2. Comment. According to reports on transportation, four trains [REDACTED] went from Jueterbog to Wittenberg on 8 and 9 August. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] the train carried elements of the 51st and 53d

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Gds Tank Regt and the 78th Gds Hv Tank Sp Regt of the 6th Gds Tank Div. The 3xx series, however, was observed exclusively with T-34 or T-43 tanks.

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3. Comment.  the AAA shipment observed in Justerbo on 3 August probably involved light AAA units of the 4th Gds AAA Div.

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